

Englewood, Ill.,  
Feb. 4, 1882,

Dr. A. Gray,

My Dear Sir: I cheerfully  
comply with your request to  
send specimens of *Pleocbaris*  
*dispar*. Possibly it would have  
been better to have sent it  
before naming, but you were  
away from the U. S. at the  
time of the second finding  
and writing the description.  
It is quite unlike any in  
our Northern Flora, and be-  
ing inconspicuous has doubt-  
less been passed by by collectors.  
It is extremely local as  
far as yet seen, but I shall  
look for it away from that  
one "slough", and hope to find  
it. One query suggests itself.

as to whether it may not tall  
at sometimes, and grow in the  
water. On July 8 of the past  
year I made in the water  
to find it, in the place where  
it grew, but it wasted early,  
if the season had been wet,  
would it have risen above the  
surface, and fruited? The  
two seasons when it has been  
observed do not enable me  
to determine this. It did not  
grow when the water was deep-  
est before the ponds dried, but  
in the shallow parts, but the  
longest stems were where  
the water increased in depth.  
*Utricularia cornuta* has the  
same habitat. It seems to be  
annual, though it may be  
biennial. This could be  
determined by culture.

Its roots would indicate the  
form. If found identical  
with any forms hitherto dis-  
covered, please inform me, &  
the description can be recalled,  
as I have no desire to increase  
synonyms.

I send the specimens in the  
letter, as they are so small,  
if any accident befall them  
please inform me.

Sincerely yours,  
E. J. Hill.